

there, and may tyranny never again take root in that soil so worthy to be there forever buried.

I salute affectionately Lady Anita and you. With all frankness command your friend, etc.

Sign: TOMAS MARTINEZ.

At a quarter to 2 P. M., the prisoner, attended by the clergy, made his appearance under an escort of soldiers, and crossing the Plaza, took a seat in a chair prepared for the occasion. The death sentence was read to him by Col. Gilman, Officer of the Day, and almost immediately after the spirit of Gen. Don Ponciano Corral had past from time into the mysteries of an eternity, having been pierced, as we understand, by every bullet fired at him.

Gold Mines of Nicaragua.

The following letter is from the pen of the late Dr. Fanning, long a resident of this State, and well qualified, by his talents and experience, to write upon the Gold Mines. He had entered extensively into the business, imported a steam-engine and other machinery, when his career was suddenly stopped by the cholera at Virgin Bay, in June last.

SAN PEDRO PLANTEL, May 14, 1855.

COL. WHEELER, U. S. MINISTER.

DEAR SIR—Since my arrival here, after leaving you at the Virgin, I have been so very much occupied in our works that I could find no time to devote to writing until the present, and even now am not wholly free.

On my arrival here a dreary stillness pervaded everything; the absence of people and suspension of work created a solitude that was dreadful. The paths overgrown with grass, in and around the houses bushes and wild herbage of every description growing in profusion, while every wild and creeping animal, as if aware of the master's absence, revelled and rioted at will. Now we are somewhat ourselves again, and I am anxiously awaiting the arrival of my partner to commence putting up our machinery, for which I have everything ready.

As you are unacquainted with this section of the country, and would doubtless like to learn something in regard to it, allow me to give you a brief description in my imperfect manner.

The Department of Chontales occupies all that portion of this State lying between the N. E. shore of the Lake Nicaragua and the Mosquito Territory, from which it is separated by a chain of mountains, which run through the entire State in a S. E. and N. W. direction, entering Honduras, and thence on to California, etc. This chain of mountains is densely covered with wood and timber of the heaviest kind, consisting of mahogany, cedar, nispero, and a species of oak. Some of the trees are from 60 to 80 feet from the ground to the first limbs or branches, with a circumference of from three to four feet. The soil is easy of cultivation, and yields prolifically, and nearly all our Northern seeds grow and yield well.

The seasons differ here from every other part of the State; the altitude being greater the atmosphere is quicker condensed, and consequently we have more rain, but not to impede labor or retard vegetation. Immediately on emerging from this heavy woodland you enter upon the open plain or savannah, and the country from there till you reach the lake shore is one vast, hilly, rolling prairie, without a piece of woodland of half a mile in extent the whole distance of forty miles. This part near the mountain is always green and fresh, with beautiful grazing.

me a visit, and I assure you you will be well paid for your trouble and be able to make a better report on the subject than I can. June is a good month to make a trip.

Present my kind regards to your worthy lady, good wishes for the health of all your family, and the success of your mission. Hoping you will have patience to get through this scrawl, I subscribe myself

Your most obedient servant,

D. O. FANNING.

P. S.—Allow me to add that we have near here lead mines rich with silver.

Peace.

[COMMUNICATED.]

The Angel of Peace now smiles on this long benighted and unhappy country, her steps are slow and sure, and her ways are kindly and good. Already does this beautiful land feel her blessed, benign, and sacred influence. The people of Nicaragua begin to see the morning's dawn of true liberty, when all men will be actuated by a love of country, when civil strife shall cease, and peace, harmony, and concord reign supreme midst the councils of the state.

At this moment how many a home is made happy, that but a few days ago was the scene of grief and mourning; the husband now embraces his wife, aged parents once more clasp to their arms their children, and absent loved ones greet, and friend meets friend.

The tocsin of war no more disturbs our midnight rest. The smile of joy and contentment beams on every countenance, for the people see the promise of a peaceful, happy, and glorious future, when kindred blood shall cease to stain and pollute the garden spots and vineyards of this lovely land. May peace long hold undisputed sway throughout the length and breadth of the country, and bring in her attendant train, progress, civilization, happiness, prosperity, and fraternal love.

Now, the untilled ground that in years gone by teemed with the fairest products of the earth, where now nought is but a vast wild and uncultivated plain; peace will place her hand to the plough, and progress, and wealth will follow on its tracks; the long deserted Hacienda will again be inhabited, the crumbling churches rebuilt, the remnants of families will be gathered together, and live midst the homes of their fathers, cementing love and fraternity, living in peace, and building for themselves and their children a nation and country, which "manifest destiny" declares to be mighty and grand.

H. S.

tried by a jury of my fellow-soldiers and convicted of the charges I ought to stand against me—though guilty of killing the boy, innocent of the rest, as I hope to meet my God in the world to come, thanks to his divine grace, in the hour of tribulation, I am prepared to do with firm front and confidence in his mercy and goodness. I am satisfied with the peace, satisfied that it is essential to the preservation of peace and order, satisfied that a contrary course would endanger the lives of the whole battalion—therefore, as an example, I hope and pray, fellow comrades, you will endeavor to avoid, among yourselves, everything that might conduce to hard-feeling or quarrel of any kind.

In bidding you all good-bye I would call your attention to my parting advice—while acting as soldiers or regenerators of a country, avoid, by all means, an indulgence in liquor—the prime evil of our conduct,—avoid the council of quarrelsome or dissatisfied parties, obey your officers, attend to and correspond with the dear ones at home, and before acting let self-council govern your conduct. Thus will you establish for yourselves a name and reputation, and as a precedent to the inhabitants of this war-devastated land, fulfill your mission from God with man.

And now, my dear boys, I thank you all for the kindness I have received at your hands; I leave you hoping for a better future, and pray we will all meet hereafter in that happy home, eternal in the heavens. Good bye.

PATRICK JORDAN.

November 2, midnight.

He addressed the persons present at his execution somewhat after the style of his letter, and died perfectly satisfied with his lot—believing in a happier future.

We take great pleasure in recommending the St. Charles Hotel, Virgin Bay, to the passengers by the Transit Route; the proprietors, Messrs. Garrard, are polite and attentive, and, from experience, we can promise visitors to the St. Charles the utmost satisfaction.

Departamento ESPAÑOL.

NADA puede ser introducido en la política del Gobierno de un estado mas despropositada que el atentado de escluir otras naciones de las ventajas de su comercio ó de poner limitaciones al extranjero en su correspondencia con sus habitantes. También podía alguno meterse la voluntad de vivir en Granada empesandose á prevenir toda comunicacion entre su casa y las otras familias de la ciudad. Tal extremo misantrópico de terquedad puede probar una entera detencion de todos los característicos á la humanidad, un contento para la aprobacion de los hombres, y total indiferencia para las simpatías humanas, un disgusto de cada obligacion social, de un corazon depravado—Como con un individuo de familia en e los particulares de una ciudad

y obligado á forzar por un tratado, que cada uno contribuyendo con otros á las felicidades y prosperidad por medio de la brillantés de la literatura y su comercial industria.

El dia miércoles, á la una de la tarde, llegó á esta ciudad de vuelta de Leon, el Jeneral Valle, acompañado de una cavalcada de ciudadanos Leoneses tuvimos el gusto de tener un momento de conversacion con él en la cual nos dijo que desde su salida de esta ciudad no ha podido descansar á causa de los repiques de campanas, de los cañonazos y del concurre de gente que siempre llenaba su casa. Como muestra del contento de la poblacion leonesa el Jeneral Valle ha traído una carta de las Señoritas de esa ciudad, dirigida al Jeneral Walker, agradeciéndole los buenos servicios que ha rendido á su patria de ellas.

Nos alegramos mucho de oír esas noticias que nos son tan bien venidas y esperamos recibir otras del mismo tenor durante la semana corriente, de Chinandega y los demas pueblos del Estado.

SEÑOR DON PATRICIO RIVAS ELECTO PRESIDENTE DE LA REPUBLICA.

Granada, octubre 30 de 1855.

Señor

UNO de aquellos sucesos que en la vida de las naciones suceden de vez en cuando, dirigidos por la mano de la Providencia ha hecho que los Ejércitos beligerantes en los departamentos de Oriente y Mediodía se unen para dar paz á la República por medio del tratado que original tenemos el honor de acompañar á U.

Ayer se vieron los dos Ejércitos y hoy celebran el importante ingreso de U. á esta ciudad. Por el tratado se le llama á la Presidencia de la República para salvar la patria y los infraescritos bien persuadidos del patriotismo que siempre ha animado á U. por la felicidad y ventura de este país no dudamos que aceptará tan delicado encargo.

Esperamos que U. señale la hora en que debe tomar posesion para dictar las medidas necesarias á fin de solemnizar un acto que va á formar en la historia de Nicaragua el principio de su era de progreso y felicidad pública.

Tenemos la honra de ofrecer á U. nuestros respetos y consideraciones como muy atentos servidores—William Walker—Ponciano Corral.

Es copia fiel de su original.

Granada, octubre 31 de 1855.

CORRAL.

SRES. GENERALES DE LOS EJERCITOS UNIDOS WILLIAM WALKER ESQUIER Y DON PONCIANO CORRAL.
Granada, octubre 30 de 1855.

Señores

HE tenido el honor de recibir la respetable comunicacion de UU. fecha de hoy á que se sirvieron a.